



**Utah Department of Public Safety
Division of Emergency Management
Situation Report
Tuesday, September 30, 2014
As of Noon
(801) 538-3400 (24-hour number)**

Significant Activity Summary

- **Significant Incidents:**

- **New:** Utah County - After discovering a break in a water storage tank, Eagle Mountain is instructing residents to stop using city water for any and all purposes while the water is being tested for contaminants. Results of the testing are expected by tonight. For more information, click [here](#).
- **New:** Salt Lake County - A rainstorm in Herriman overwhelmed a retention pond on 6000 West and Heritage Hill causing flooding in the Herriman City Cemetery and a nearby neighborhood, filling some basements with up to nine feet of water.
- **New:** Washington County - The American Red Cross reports flash flooding due to rain affected ten homes in Ivins and one home in Santa Clara.
- **New:** Carbon County - The Southeastern Utah Health Department reports that a wastewater plant is now partially operational in Carbon County. See Flooding: Carbon County/Price [page](#) for details.
- **New:** Carbon County - The boil advisory for the Pilling Trailer Court due to submerged water lines has been lifted.
- Tooele County - The Skull Valley Band of the Goshute Tribe requests state assistance to assess a potential pond breach which could damage structures. The Division of Emergency Management and the State Hazard Mitigation Team are providing technical assistance.
- Carbon County - Flooding along the Price River caused the evacuation of Pilling Trailer Park Saturday evening. About one dozen homes were impacted by flooding in Wellington on Saturday. See Flooding: Carbon County/Price [page](#) for details.
- Update: Flooding and debris flows caused road closures throughout the State. See Road Closures [map](#) for details.
- Uintah County - A Response Level 1 has been declared for Steinaker Dam due to slope failure. A Response Level 1 is the lowest of four levels. There is no threat to lives or the environment at this time.

- **Significant Weather:**

- **New:** The National Weather Service has issued Hazardous Weather Outlooks for Utah. Unsettled weather will continue through Wednesday. See the Active Weather Watches/Warnings [page](#) for details.
- Minor to moderate radio blackouts are expected with a slight chance for strong blackouts for the forecast period thru Oct. 5 due to potential sunspot flares. For details: <http://swpc.noaa.gov>.

- **Declarations:**

- Carbon County ([link](#)) and Wellington City ([link](#)) have issued Declarations of Emergency. DEM and Carbon County are making arrangements for a preliminary damage assessment this week in Carbon County

- **Significant Actions:**

- Washington County and Carbon County EOCs were activated.
- Governor Gary Herbert signed a monthly [Executive Order](#) to expedite the declaration process for wildfires.
- The State EOC has activated to *Level 3: Monitoring* in response to flooding throughout the State.

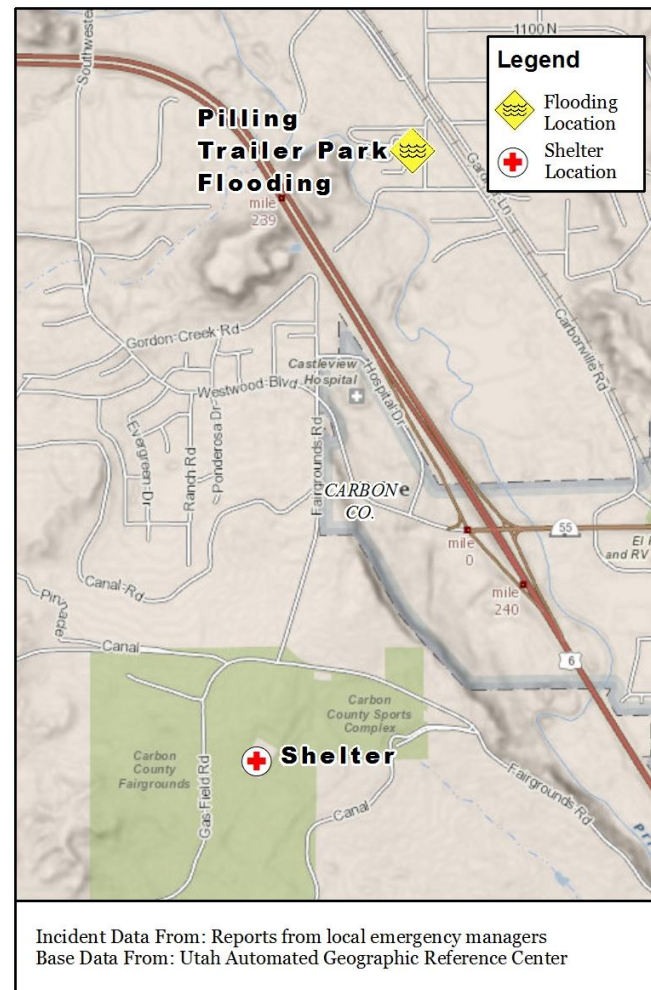
State Emergency Operations Center Activation Level			
Daily Operations	Level 3 Monitoring	Level 2 Partial Activation	Level 1 Full Activation

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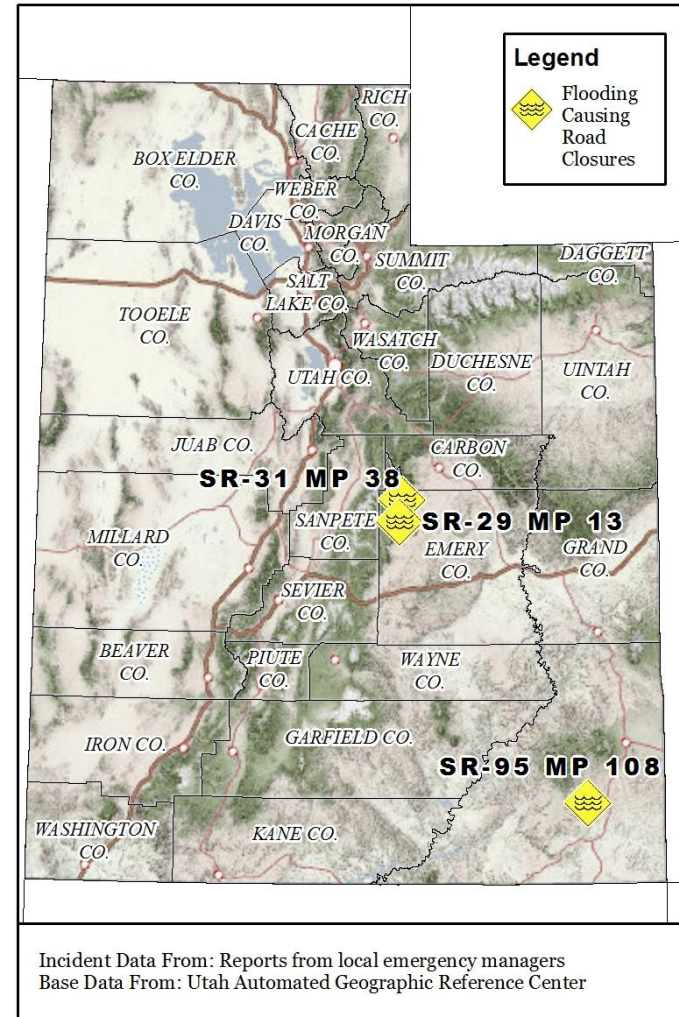
Flooding: Carbon County/Price

- Carbon County - The Southeastern Utah Health Department reports that a wastewater plant is now partially operational in Carbon County. Partially treated water has been leaking into the Price River. Primary treatment and disinfectant have been achieved, secondary treatment has not, so partially treated water is still flowing into the river. Downstream agencies have been notified to disinfect water until bacterial counts are reduced.
- Carbon County - The boil advisory for the Pilling Trailer Court due to submerged water lines has been lifted.
- Flooding along the Price River caused the evacuation of Pilling Trailer Park (899 North 750 West) Saturday evening. Residents are encouraged to throw out consumables that may have come into contact with flood waters.
- Evacuees were moved by bus to a shelter at the Events Center on Fairgrounds Road in Price. The American Red Cross responded. They report that up to 150 people were evacuated from the trailer park and 17 people stayed in the shelter overnight.
- At least 24 homes have sustained severe damage.
- One injury was reported.
- Carbon County opened their EOC Saturday evening to respond to the flooding.
- Reports of water levels as high as 5 feet deep in some areas of the trailer park community. Boats were used for some of the evacuees.
- About one dozen homes impacted in Wellington, from 400 – 700 S on 100 East from the Price River swelling. These homes were evacuated due to flooding.
- The American Red Cross remains in Carbon County and the shelter for evacuees remains open with fourteen residents remaining.
- A shower unit was provided at the shelter by the Southern Baptist Convention Disaster Relief. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints provided clothing and other supplies to the evacuees.
- Updates: [Carbon County Facebook page](#) and [@Carbon Co Utah](#)



Flooding Details: Road Closures

- San Juan County - SR-95 closed at Milepost 108
- Emery County - SR-31 closed at Milepost 38
- Emery County - SR-29 closed at Milepost 13



Active Weather Watches/Warnings

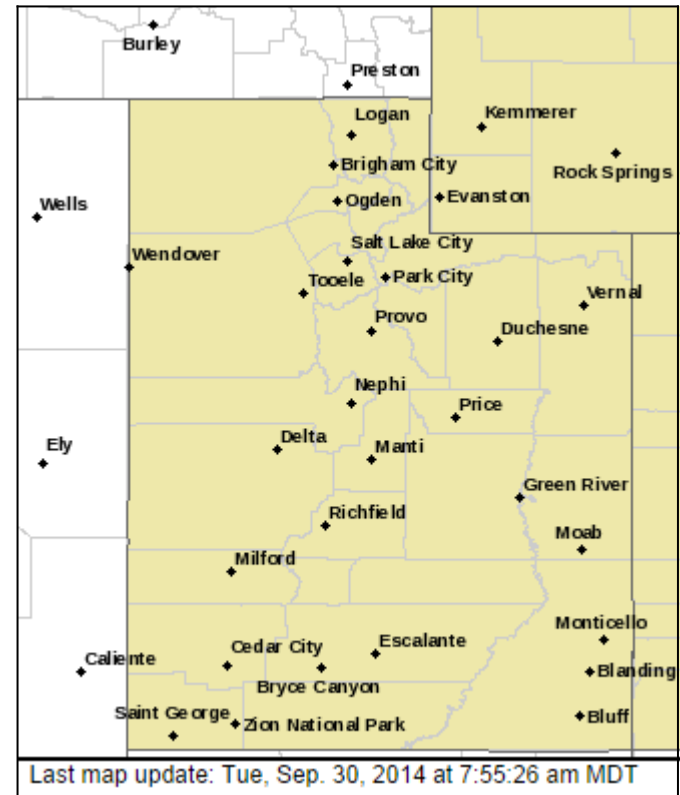
The National Weather Service has issued Hazardous Weather Outlooks for Utah.

An upper level disturbance and associated cold front will cross the Great Basin this afternoon into Wednesday. With this system, showers and thunderstorms will be scattered about northern Utah today and across all but the far southern reaches of the State tonight and Wednesday. Snow levels around 8,500 feet or below suggest that visibility restrictions and even some slush will be possible on higher mountain passes.

Strong northeasterly winds are possible across portions of Washington County from Wednesday night into Thursday morning.

Freezing temperatures are possible in some of the typically colder northern and central valleys on Thursday morning.

A ridge of high pressure will build over the region, starting on Thursday. This ridge should ensure dry weather across Utah into next week.



For frequently updated information regarding severe weather
from the National Weather Service: [Click Here](#)



River Crests Over the Weekend

Curious just how high the rivers crested with the heavy rain this weekend? Here's a roundup.

River	Flow Friday evening	Peak Flow (approximate)
Escalante near Escalante	3 cfs	418 cfs
Virgin at Virgin	85 cfs	4622 cfs
Virgin near Bloomington	65 cfs	6990 cfs
Paria at Lee's Ferry, AZ	10 cfs	5640 cfs
Santa Clara at St. George	7 cfs	1785 cfs
Beaver Dam Wash near Beaver Dam, AZ	0 cfs	11800 cfs
Dirty Devil near Hanksville	39 cfs	772 cfs
Price near Woodside	50 cfs	1760 cfs

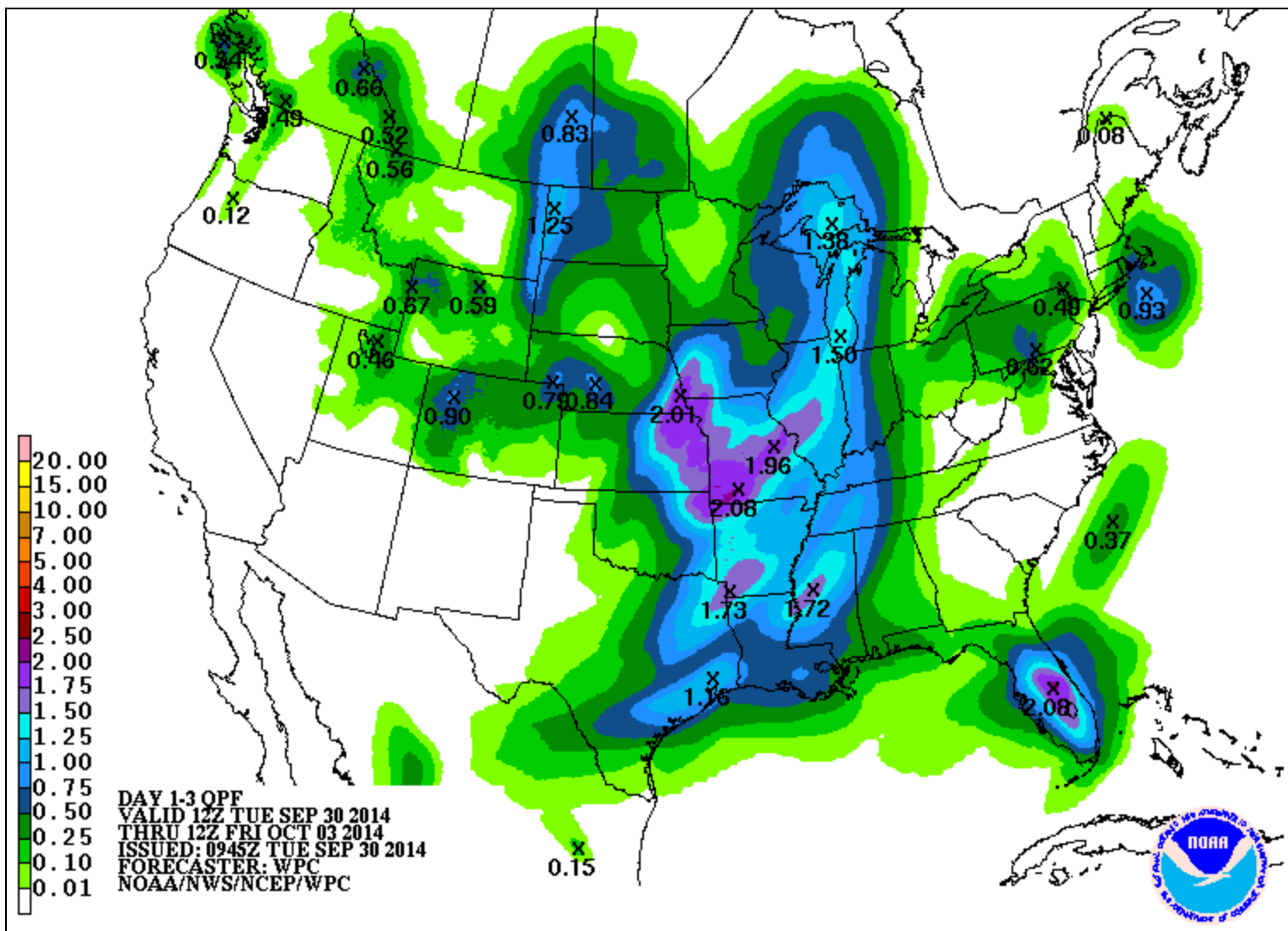
What does cfs mean? 1 cfs = 1 cubic foot per second of water, or roughly one basketball full of water passing by a point per second. So 11,800 cfs would be 11,800 basketballs of water per second. That's a lot of water!

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National Weather Service - Salt Lake City, UT



Precipitation Forecast



This forecasts the total amount of precipitation expected from today through October 3.

[Click here](#) for additional forecasts.



New State EOC Activation Levels

The Division of Emergency Management has revised the activation levels and definitions for the State Emergency Operations Center (EOC). Daily Operations is new.

- Daily Operations
- Activation Level 3: Monitoring
- Activation Level 2: Partial Activation
- Activation Level 1: Full Activation

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These changes will be included in the next update of the State Emergency Operations Plan.
[Link](#) to the Standard Operating Guidelines for details.



Links for More Information

State Fire Restrictions	utahfireinfo.gov/fire_restrictions/restrictions.html
Local Fire Restrictions	publicsafety.utah.gov/firemarshal/RestrictedFireworksAreas.html
Updated Fire Info	utahfireinfo.gov , inciweb.nwcg.gov , NWS Fire Weather Outlook
Weather Details	wrh.noaa.gov/slc , forecast.weather.gov/hazards/slc hpc.ncep.noaa.gov/noaa/naad1.gif
UT-WARN	utwarn.org
Traffic and Road Closures	udottraffic.utah.gov
Drinking Water	drinkingwater.utah.gov/emergency_water_storage.htm
Air and Health Advisories/Information	airquality.utah.gov , airnow.gov , health.utah.gov/asthma , current air quality conditions
Be Ready Utah Program	beready.utah.gov
Drought Information	usda.gov/drought , Drought Disaster Designations Map (9/24/14) , List of All Designated Counties
Login to WebEOC	https://veocutah.webeocasp.com/veocutah/

For questions or comments regarding the DEM Situation Report, send an email to: ESF05Planning@Utah.Gov



Division of Emergency Management

What Does the Division of Emergency Management Do?

Floods, tornadoes, earthquakes, severe storms, landslides, droughts, hazardous material spills, search and rescue. These are just a few examples of emergencies in Utah in which the Division of Emergency Management (DEM) has played an active role. But what does the agency do when there isn't a disaster?

The DEM (pronounced D-E-M) coordinates emergency management efforts between federal, state and local governments. These efforts include preparedness, recovery, response and mitigation.

Public safety professionals at DEM include experts in emergency planning, training, exercise, investigations, communications, automation, hazardous material response and much more.

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Our Vision

*To achieve a self-sustaining
culture of emergency preparedness
for all individuals
and communities in Utah.*

Our Mission

*To unite the emergency management community
and to coordinate the efforts necessary
to mitigate, prepare for, respond to
and recover from
emergencies, disasters and catastrophic events.*



[DEM Organizational Chart](#)

